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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - JULY 2000

PERCENT CHANGE - ALL ITEMS INDEX

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MANITOBA	2.6	0.5
CANADA	3.0	0.4

The Manitoba all items index rose 2.6% in July 2000 compared with July 1999, up from an annual rate of 2.3% in June. Canada's annual rate of price increase in July was 3.0%, up from 2.9% the previous month.

Chart 1 presents a summary of price changes for Manitoba and Canada over the last two years. The method of calculation shown in Chart 1 is the most widely used, and is often referred to by the media as the "inflation rate". It is based on the percent change between the current month and the same month the previous year.

Manitoba's annual inflation rate of 2.6% in July was tied with Quebec for the second lowest provincial rate. The highest annual rate last month was in Prince Edward Island at 4.7%. Winnipeg's annual rate of inflation in July was 2.5%, up from 2.2% in June.

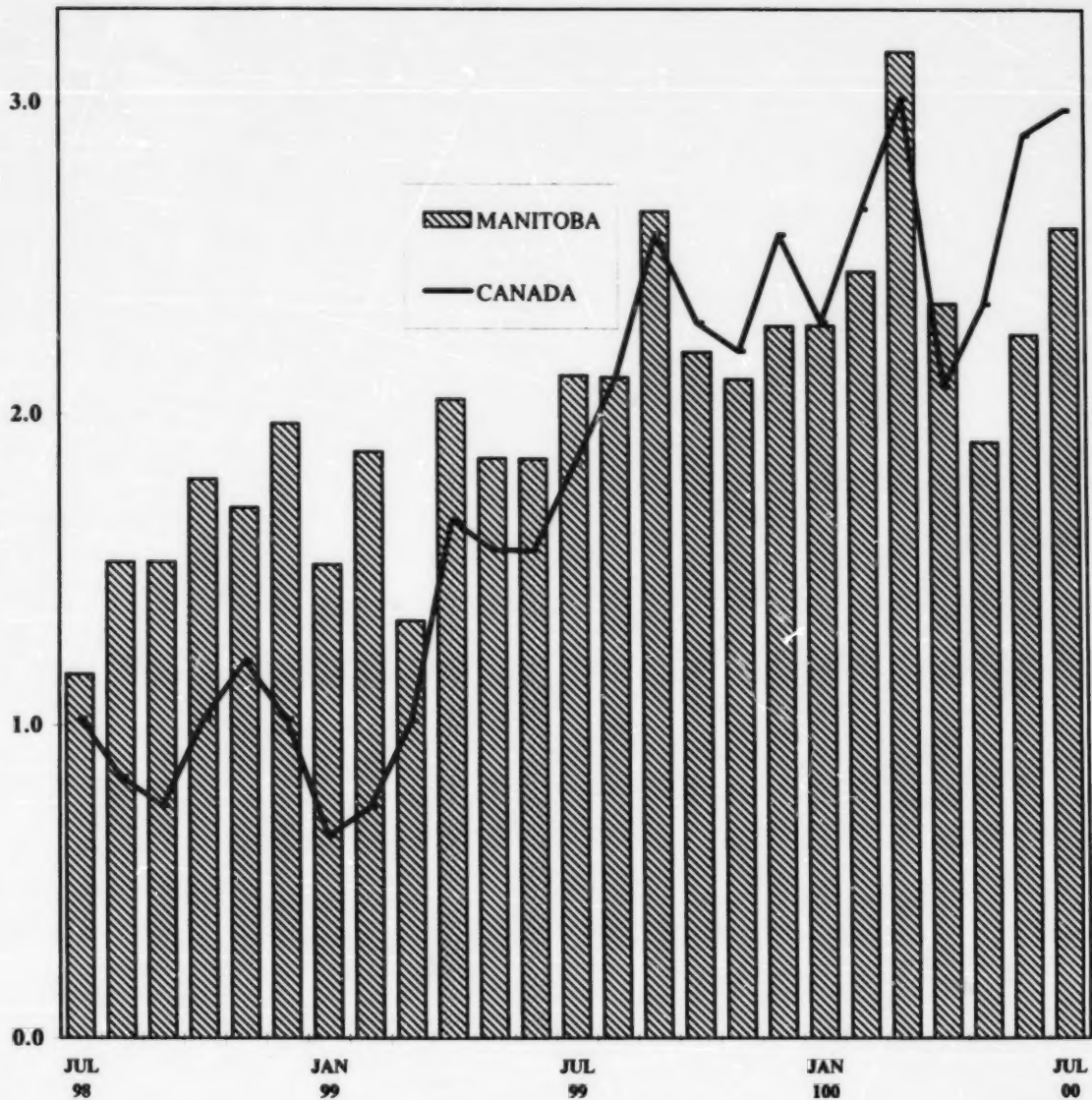
On a month-to-month basis, the Manitoba all-items index rose 0.5% in July after increasing 0.4% the previous month. Higher gasoline prices were the main contributor to last month's overall increase. Tuition fees were higher, as was the cost of travel services, non-alcoholic beverages and processed meats. These increases were modified to some extent by lower prices for new motor vehicles and for motor vehicle parts, maintenance and repair. Decreases were also noted for natural gas, men's clothing and recreational equipment and services. Prices for fresh fruit and eggs also fell in July. Overall prices at the national level were 0.4% higher last month, down from a 0.6% rise in June.

CHART 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

MONTHLY INFLATION RATE

MANITOBA AND CANADA

PERCENT CHANGE



DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA
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CHART 2. CONSUMER PRICE INDICES
PERCENT CHANGE FROM JULY 99 TO JULY 00
ALL ITEMS: CANADA AND PROVINCES

PERCENT CHANGE

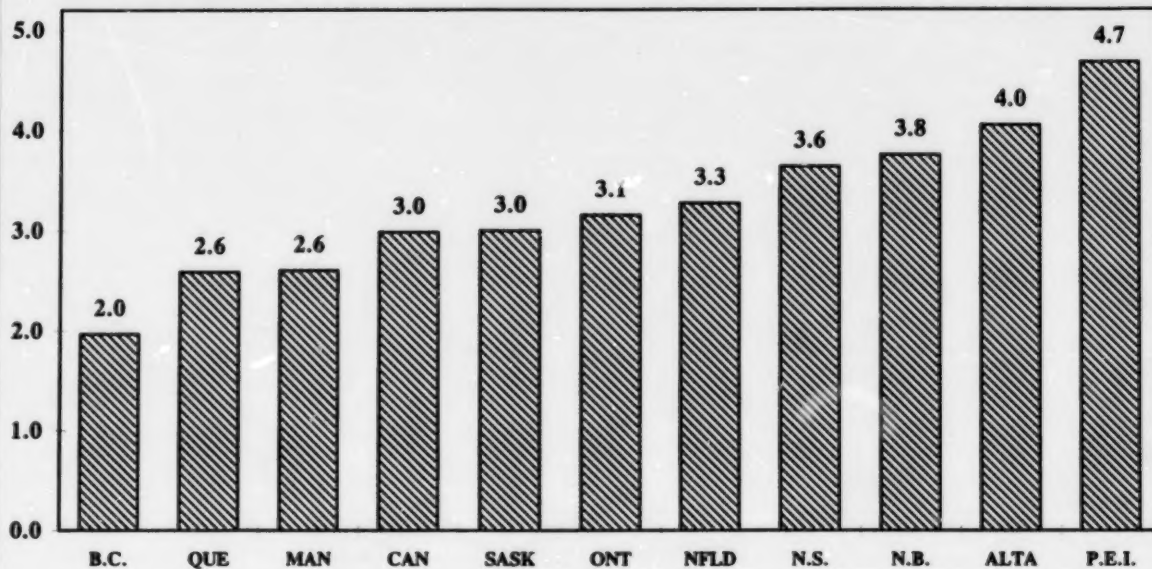
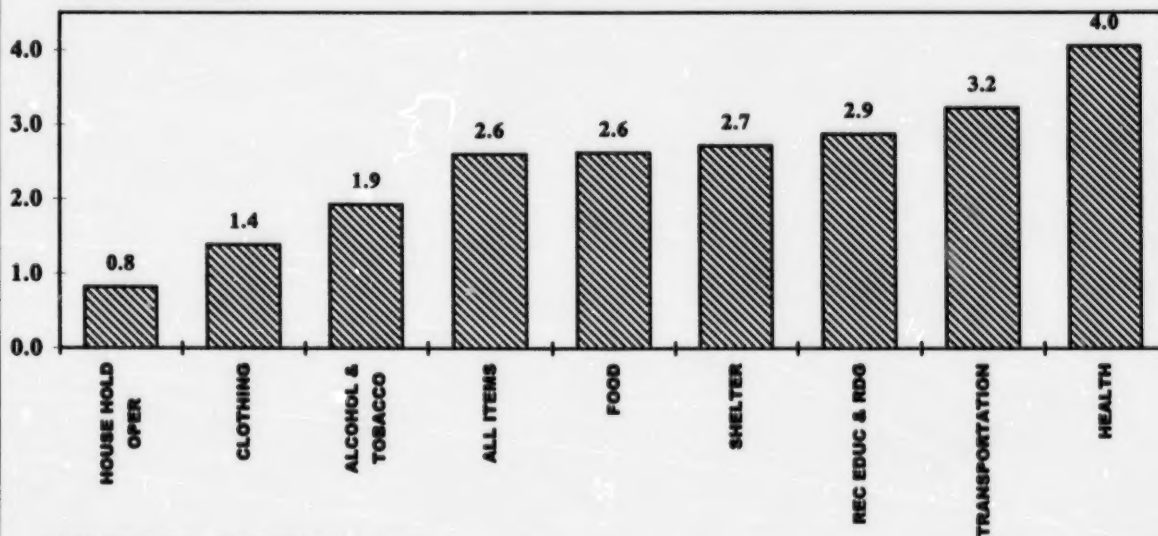


CHART 3. CONSUMER PRICE INDICES
PERCENT CHANGE FROM JULY 99 TO JULY 00
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PERCENT CHANGE



DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA
 MANITOBA BUREAU OF STATISTICS

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TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR JULY 2000

(1992 = 100)

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	<u>JUL 00</u>	<u>JUN 00</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>	<u>JUL 99</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>	<u>JUL 00</u>	<u>JUN 00</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>	<u>JUL 99</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>
MAIN COMPONENTS:										
ALL ITEMS	118.4	117.8	0.5	115.4	2.6	114.1	113.7	0.4	110.8	3.0
FOOD	117.6	116.4	1.0	114.6	2.6	113.4	112.9	0.4	111.3	1.9
SHELTER	113.6	113.1	0.4	110.6	2.7	108.7	108.1	0.6	104.8	3.7
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	110.8	110.5	0.3	109.9	0.8	110.5	109.9	0.5	109.2	1.2
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	117.2	115.5	1.5	115.6	1.4	104.7	104.6	0.1	104.5	0.2
TRANSPORTATION	131.5	132.2	-0.5	127.4	3.2	131.2	131.8	-0.5	124.7	5.2
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	115.7	114.6	1.0	111.2	4.0	112.0	111.9	0.1	110.5	1.4
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	125.6	124.9	0.6	122.1	2.9	124.9	123.9	0.8	121.6	2.7
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	106.0	105.6	0.4	104.0	1.9	98.0	97.9	0.1	94.7	3.5
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:										
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	118.5	118.2	0.3	115.6	2.5	114.3	114.0	0.3	110.7	3.3
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	117.6	117.2	0.3	115.5	1.8	112.4	112.2	0.2	110.7	1.5
ENERGY	126.7	126.6	0.1	116.6	8.7	129.5	128.4	0.9	109.9	17.8
GOODS	115.8	115.5	0.3	113.1	2.4	111.4	111.3	0.1	107.8	3.3
SERVICES	121.1	120.4	0.6	117.9	2.7	117.2	116.5	0.6	114.3	2.5

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR JULY 2000

(1992 = 100)

	ALL ITEMS					FOOD				
	JUL 00	JUN 00	PERCENT CHANGE	JUL 99	PERCENT CHANGE	JUL 00	JUN 00	PERCENT CHANGE	JUL 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MANITOBA	118.4	117.8	0.5	115.4	2.6	117.6	116.4	1.0	114.6	2.6
<u>WESTERN PROVINCES</u>										
SASKATCHEWAN	117.0	116.5	0.4	113.6	3.0	113.1	112.8	0.3	111.0	1.9
ALBERTA	118.2	117.1	0.9	113.6	4.0	112.1	111.9	0.2	109.5	2.4
BRITISH COLUMBIA	114.2	113.2	0.9	112.0	2.0	113.2	112.8	0.4	113.7	-0.4
<u>EASTERN PROVINCES</u>										
ONTARIO	114.7	114.5	0.2	111.2	3.1	113.3	112.8	0.4	111.0	2.1
QUEBEC	111.1	111.1	0.0	108.3	2.6	114.6	114.0	0.5	111.7	2.6
<u>MARITIME PROVINCES</u>										
NEW BRUNSWICK	113.4	113.1	0.3	109.3	3.8	113.1	111.8	1.2	109.8	3.0
NOVA SCOTIA	114.1	114.2	-0.1	110.1	3.6	114.0	113.6	0.4	112.2	1.6
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	112.0	111.9	0.1	107.0	4.7	111.1	110.2	0.8	109.2	1.7
NEWFOUNDLAND	113.8	113.3	0.4	110.2	3.3	113.2	111.5	1.5	112.3	0.8
* MANITOBA RANK			8		3			8		9

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 3: PERCENT CHANGE COMPARISONS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

(AS OF JULY 2000)

MAIN COMPONENTS	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR		(2) CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE		(3) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE	
	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA
ALL ITEMS	2.6	3.0	3.8	6.2	2.4	2.5
FOOD	2.6	1.9	4.9	7.8	1.8	0.9
SHELTER	2.7	3.7	2.9	4.5	1.8	2.4
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	0.8	1.2	2.2	3.7	1.1	1.0
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	1.4	0.2	-0.7	-1.5	1.5	0.7
TRANSPORTATION	3.2	5.2	1.2	6.3	4.4	5.9
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	4.0	1.4	4.3	1.8	3.3	1.6
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	2.9	2.7	10.5	13.5	2.3	2.6
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	1.9	3.5	4.7	5.1	1.8	2.5
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:						
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	2.5	3.3	3.1	5.4	2.5	2.9
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	1.8	1.5	3.1	2.9	1.8	1.5
ENERGY	8.7	17.8	6.6	26.1	8.1	15.1
GOODS	2.4	3.3	1.7	6.0	2.2	2.9
SERVICES	2.7	2.5	5.5	5.7	2.5	2.1

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- (3) COMPARES THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING THIS MONTH WITH THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING ONE YEAR EARLIER.

TABLE 4: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR JULY 2000: ALL ITEMS

(1992 = 100)

	<u>JUL 00</u>	<u>JUN 00</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>	<u>(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR</u>	<u>(2) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE</u>
WINNIPEG	118.4	117.8	0.5	2.5	2.3
<u>WESTERN CITIES</u>					
REGINA	118.0	117.5	0.4	3.0	2.1
SASKATOON	116.6	116.1	0.4	3.0	2.2
CALGARY	119.3	118.2	0.9	4.4	3.4
EDMONTON	116.6	115.6	0.9	3.7	3.1
VANCOUVER	114.9	113.8	1.0	2.6	1.7
VICTORIA	113.7	113.1	0.5	1.6	1.5
<u>EASTERN CITIES</u>					
THUNDER BAY	114.7	114.5	0.2	2.8	2.5
TORONTO	114.9	114.9	0.0	3.2	2.8
OTTAWA	116.0	115.8	0.2	3.1	2.7
MONTREAL	111.3	111.3	0.0	2.6	2.2
QUEBEC	111.9	111.9	0.0	2.4	2.1
<u>MARITIME CITIES</u>					
SAINT JOHN, N.B.	113.0	112.7	0.3	3.8	3.2
HALIFAX	113.2	113.4	-0.2	3.3	3.1
CHARLOTTETOWN	111.7	111.5	0.2	4.3	3.0
ST. JOHN'S, NFLD	113.8	113.3	0.4	3.1	2.6
* WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 16 CITIES)			12	3	7

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PERCENT CHANGE - ALL ITEMS INDEX

	<u>AUG 00/AUG 99</u>	<u>AUG 00/JUL 00</u>
MANITOBA	2.4	0.1
CANADA	2.5	-0.2

The Manitoba all items index rose 2.4% in August 2000 compared with August 1999, down from an annual rate of 2.6% in July. Canada's annual rate of price increase in August was 2.5%, down from 3.0% the previous month.

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Manitoba's annual inflation rate of 2.4% in August was tied with Quebec for the second lowest provincial rate. The highest annual rate last month was in Prince Edward Island at 4.9%. Winnipeg's annual rate of inflation in August was 2.5%, unchanged from July.

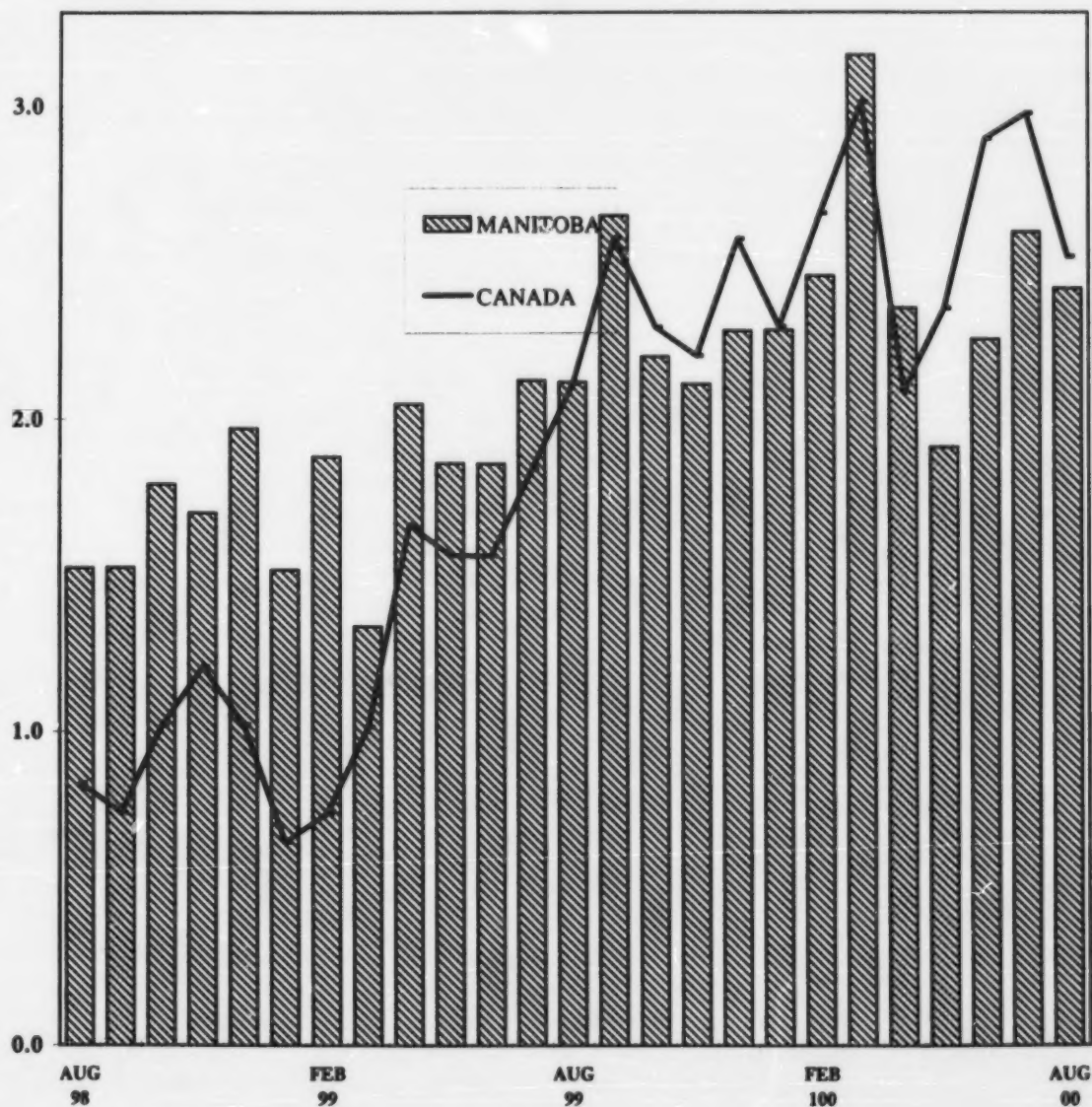
On a month-to-month basis, the Manitoba all-items index rose 0.1% in August after increasing 0.5% the previous month. Higher natural gas prices were the main contributor to last month's increase. Prices for processed meat and sugar and confectionery increased, as well as personal care services, men's and women's clothing and food purchased from restaurants. These increases were softened by lower prices for gasoline, fresh fruit and non-alcoholic beverages. Decreases were also noted for fresh or frozen beef, served alcoholic beverages and inter-city transportation. Prices for other cereal grains and cereal products also fell in August. Overall prices at the national level were 0.2% lower last month, down from a 0.4% rise in July.

CHART 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

MONTHLY INFLATION RATE

MANITOBA AND CANADA

PERCENT CHANGE



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CHART 2. CONSUMER PRICE INDICES
PERCENT CHANGE FROM AUG 99 TO AUG 00
ALL ITEMS: CANADA AND PROVINCES

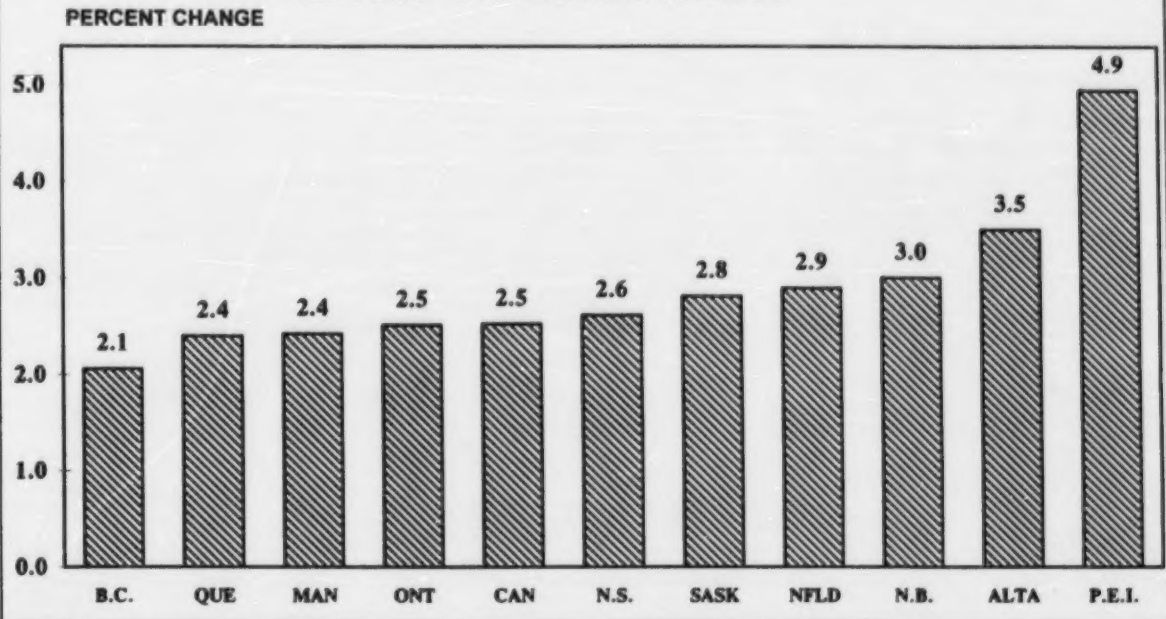
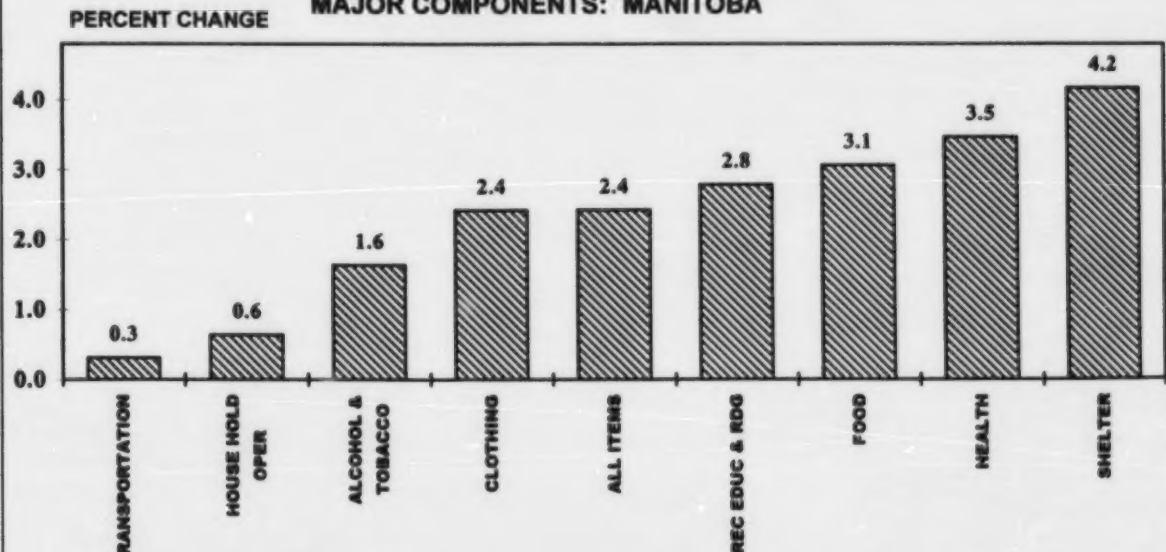


CHART 3. CONSUMER PRICE INDICES
PERCENT CHANGE FROM AUG 99 TO AUG 00
MAJOR COMPONENTS: MANITOBA



DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA
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TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR AUGUST 2000

(1992 = 100)

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	<u>AUG 00</u>	<u>JUL 00</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>	<u>AUG 99</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>	<u>AUG 00</u>	<u>JUL 00</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>	<u>AUG 99</u>	<u>PERCENT CHANGE</u>
MAIN COMPONENTS:										
ALL ITEMS	118.5	118.4	0.1	115.7	2.4	113.9	114.1	-0.2	111.1	2.5
FOOD	117.8	117.6	0.2	114.3	3.1	113.1	113.4	-0.3	110.4	2.4
SHELTER	115.0	113.6	1.2	110.4	4.2	109.0	108.7	0.3	105.0	3.8
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	110.8	110.8	0.0	110.1	0.6	110.5	110.5	0.0	109.1	1.3
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	118.7	117.2	1.3	115.9	2.4	105.4	104.7	0.7	106.3	-0.8
TRANSPORTATION	129.7	131.5	-1.4	129.3	0.3	130.0	131.2	-0.9	126.4	2.8
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	116.4	115.7	0.6	112.5	3.5	112.4	112.0	0.4	110.5	1.7
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	125.5	125.6	-0.1	122.1	2.8	124.8	124.9	-0.1	121.7	2.5
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	105.8	106.0	-0.2	104.1	1.6	98.0	98.0	0.0	94.6	3.6
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:										
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	118.7	118.5	0.2	116.1	2.2	114.2	114.3	-0.1	111.3	2.6
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	117.8	117.6	0.2	115.7	1.8	112.6	112.4	0.2	110.9	1.5
ENERGY	126.3	126.7	-0.3	119.3	5.9	127.3	129.5	-1.7	113.8	11.9
GOODS	115.9	115.8	0.1	113.6	2.0	111.0	111.4	-0.4	108.3	2.5
SERVICES	121.4	121.1	0.2	118.1	2.8	117.3	117.2	0.1	114.4	2.5

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TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR AUGUST 2000

(1992 = 100)

	ALL ITEMS					FOOD				
	AUG 00	JUL 00	PERCENT CHANGE	AUG 99	PERCENT CHANGE	AUG 00	JUL 00	PERCENT CHANGE	AUG 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MANITOBA	118.5	118.4	0.1	115.7	2.4	117.8	117.6	0.2	114.3	3.1
<u>WESTERN PROVINCES</u>										
SASKATCHEWAN	117.2	117.0	0.2	114.0	2.8	113.7	113.1	0.5	111.2	2.2
ALBERTA	118.3	118.2	0.1	114.3	3.5	112.5	112.1	0.4	108.9	3.3
BRITISH COLUMBIA	114.1	114.2	-0.1	111.8	2.1	113.2	113.2	0.0	113.5	-0.3
<u>EASTERN PROVINCES</u>										
ONTARIO	114.4	114.7	-0.3	111.6	2.5	113.2	113.3	-0.1	110.2	2.7
QUEBEC	111.0	111.1	-0.1	108.4	2.4	113.3	114.6	-1.1	109.8	3.2
<u>MARITIME PROVINCES</u>										
NEW BRUNSWICK	113.3	113.4	-0.1	110.0	3.0	112.9	113.1	-0.2	109.9	2.7
NOVA SCOTIA	114.0	114.1	-0.1	111.1	2.6	114.5	114.0	0.4	111.8	2.4
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	112.5	112.0	0.4	107.2	4.9	111.2	111.1	0.1	108.4	2.6
NEWFOUNDLAND	113.8	113.8	0.0	110.6	2.9	113.0	113.2	-0.2	111.4	1.4
* MANITOBA RANK			7		3			7		8

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TABLE 3: PERCENT CHANGE COMPARISONS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

(AS OF AUGUST 2000)

MAIN COMPONENTS	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR		(2) CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE		(3) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE	
	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA
ALL ITEMS	2.4	2.5	4.2	3.2	2.4	2.5
FOOD	3.1	2.4	4.9	3.6	1.9	1.0
SHELTER	4.2	3.8	8.0	4.5	2.1	2.6
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	0.6	1.3	0.4	3.3	1.0	1.0
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	2.4	-0.8	10.0	2.7	1.7	0.5
TRANSPORTATION	0.3	2.8	-2.1	0.3	4.0	5.7
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	3.5	1.7	6.4	1.1	3.2	1.6
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	2.8	2.5	5.3	7.0	2.5	2.7
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	1.6	3.6	3.5	2.5	1.8	2.7
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:						
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	2.2	2.6	3.8	3.6	2.5	2.9
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	1.8	1.5	2.8	2.5	1.8	1.5
ENERGY	5.9	11.9	11.9	12.2	8.2	15.3
GOODS	2.0	2.5	3.5	2.6	2.2	2.9
SERVICES	2.8	2.5	4.7	4.2	2.6	2.1

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TABLE 4: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR AUGUST 2000: ALL ITEMS

(1992 = 100)

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<u>WESTERN CITIES</u>					
REGINA	118.3	118.0	0.3	3.0	2.2
SASKATOON	116.9	116.6	0.3	2.9	2.2
CALGARY	119.4	119.3	0.1	3.7	3.5
EDMONTON	116.8	116.6	0.2	3.2	3.2
VANCOUVER	114.9	114.9	0.0	2.8	1.8
VICTORIA	113.6	113.7	-0.1	1.6	1.5
<u>EASTERN CITIES</u>					
THUNDER BAY	114.4	114.7	-0.3	2.1	2.5
TORONTO	114.7	114.9	-0.2	2.6	2.8
OTTAWA	115.9	116.0	-0.1	2.7	2.7
MONTREAL	111.1	111.3	-0.2	2.4	2.3
QUEBEC	111.7	111.9	-0.2	2.1	2.2
<u>MARITIME CITIES</u>					
SAINT JOHN, N.B.	112.9	113.0	-0.1	3.0	3.2
HALIFAX	113.2	113.2	0.0	2.4	3.2
CHARLOTTETOWN	112.0	111.7	0.3	4.4	3.3
ST. JOHN'S, NFLD	113.9	113.8	0.1	2.8	2.7
* WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 16 CITIES)			13	6	7

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - SEPTEMBER 2000

PERCENT CHANGE - ALL ITEMS INDEX

SEP 00/SEP 99

SEP 00/AUG 00

MANITOBA	2.4	0.4
CANADA	2.7	0.4

The Manitoba all items index rose 2.4% in September 2000 compared with September 1999, unchanged from the annual rate in August. Canada's annual rate of price increase in September was 2.7%, up from 2.5% the previous month.

Chart 1 presents a summary of price changes for Manitoba and Canada over the last two years. The method of calculation shown in Chart 1 is the most widely used, and is often referred to by the media as the "inflation rate". It is based on the percent change between the current month and the same month the previous year.

Manitoba's annual inflation rate of 2.4% in September was the second lowest provincial rate following British Columbia at 1.9%. The highest annual rate last month was in Prince Edward Island at 4.3%. Winnipeg's annual rate of inflation in September was 2.4%, down from 2.5% in August.

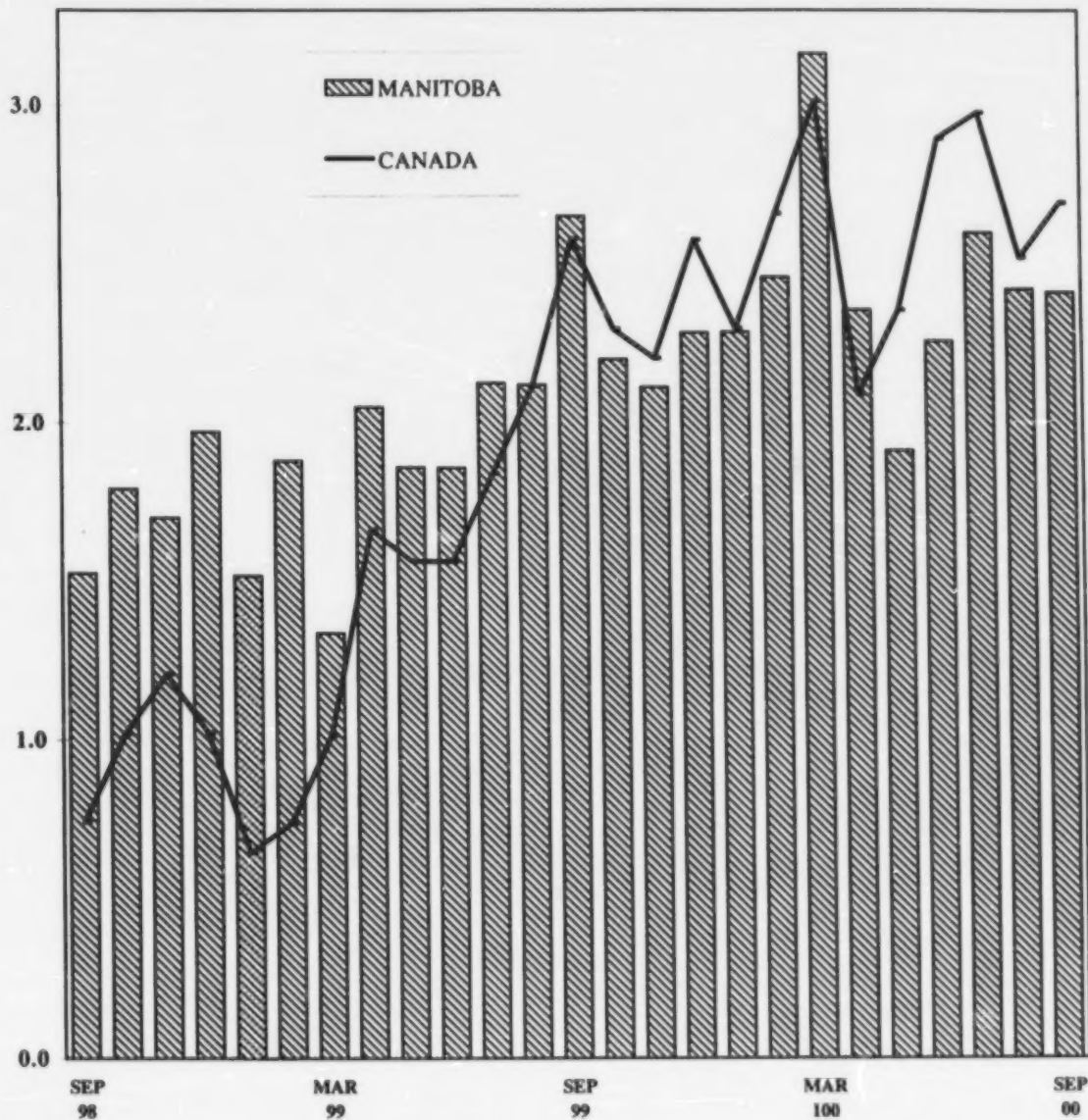
On a month-to-month basis, the Manitoba all-items index rose 0.4% in September after increasing just 0.1% the previous month. Higher gasoline and fuel oil prices were the main contributors to last month's overall 0.4% price increase. Increases were also noted for household appliances and textiles, footwear, and some recreational services. These increases were partly offset by lower prices for fresh vegetables and some other food items, home maintenance and repair and women's clothing. Overall prices at the national level were 0.4% higher last month, following a 0.2% decline in August.

CHART 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

MONTHLY INFLATION RATE

MANITOBA AND CANADA

PERCENT CHANGE



DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA
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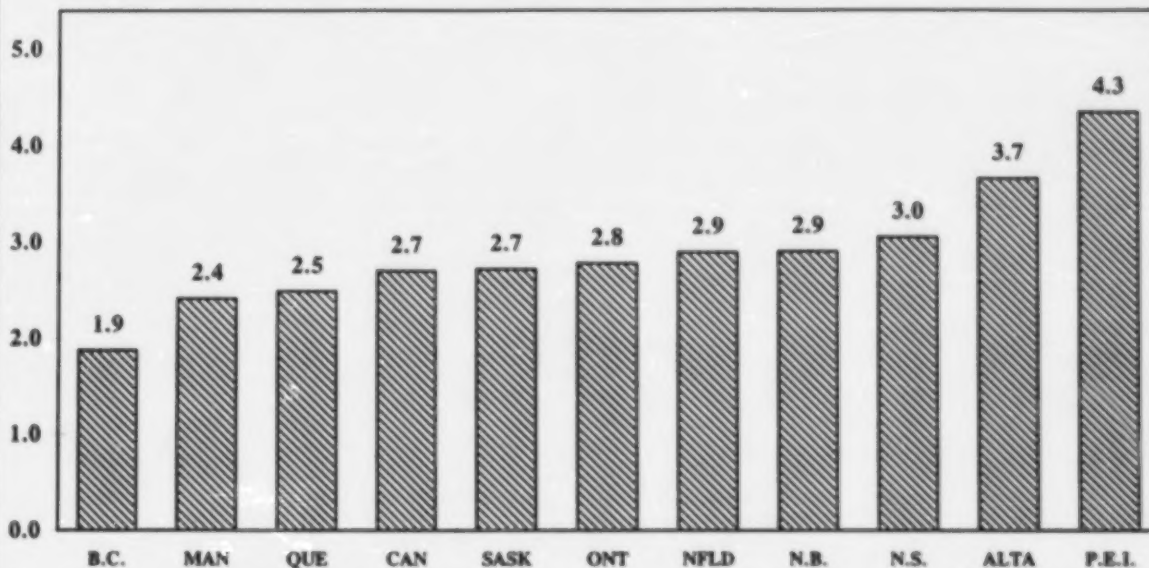
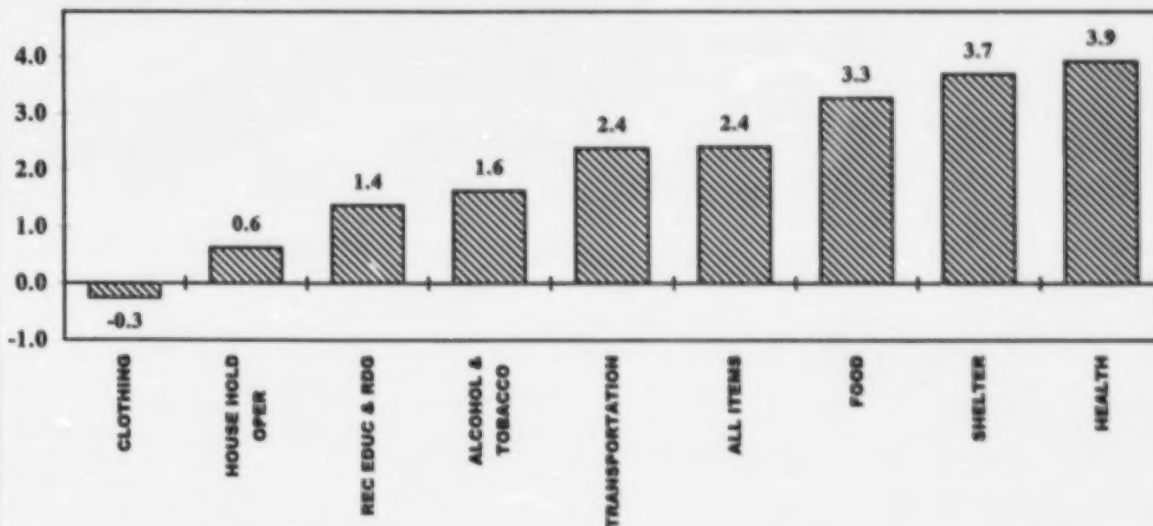


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PERCENT CHANGE



DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA
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TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR SEPTEMBER 2000

(1992 = 100)

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	SEP 00	AUG 00	PERCENT CHANGE	SEP 99	PERCENT CHANGE	SEP 00	AUG 00	PERCENT CHANGE	SEP 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MAIN COMPONENTS:										
ALL ITEMS	119.0	118.5	0.4	116.2	2.4	114.4	113.9	0.4	111.4	2.7
FOOD	116.9	117.8	-0.8	113.2	3.3	112.2	113.1	-0.8	109.8	2.2
SHELTER	115.1	115.0	0.1	111.0	3.7	109.6	109.0	0.6	105.6	3.8
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	111.4	110.8	0.5	110.7	0.6	110.5	110.5	0.0	109.5	0.9
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	118.2	118.7	-0.4	118.5	-0.3	107.4	105.4	1.9	107.2	0.2
TRANSPORTATION	133.2	129.7	2.7	130.1	2.4	131.9	130.0	1.5	127.0	3.9
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	116.7	116.4	0.3	112.3	3.9	112.3	112.4	-0.1	110.6	1.5
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	125.2	125.5	-0.2	123.5	1.4	124.9	124.8	0.1	122.4	2.0
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	105.8	105.8	0.0	104.1	1.6	98.4	98.0	0.4	94.6	4.0
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:										
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	119.5	118.7	0.7	116.9	2.2	114.9	114.2	0.6	111.8	2.8
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	117.8	117.8	0.0	116.4	1.2	112.8	112.6	0.2	111.3	1.3
ENERGY	134.2	126.3	6.3	121.3	10.6	132.8	127.3	4.3	115.4	15.1
GOODS	116.9	115.9	0.9	114.0	2.5	111.8	111.0	0.7	108.4	3.1
SERVICES	121.3	121.4	-0.1	118.7	2.2	117.4	117.3	0.1	114.9	2.2

DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

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TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR SEPTEMBER 2000

(1992 = 100)

	ALL ITEMS					FOOD				
	SEP 00	AUG 00	PERCENT CHANGE	SEP 99	PERCENT CHANGE	SEP 00	AUG 00	PERCENT CHANGE	SEP 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MANITOBA	119.0	118.5	0.4	116.2	2.4	116.9	117.8	-0.8	113.2	3.3
<u>WESTERN PROVINCES</u>										
SASKATCHEWAN	117.5	117.2	0.3	114.4	2.7	112.5	113.7	-1.1	110.7	1.6
ALBERTA	119.1	118.3	0.7	114.9	3.7	112.2	112.5	-0.3	109.3	2.7
BRITISH COLUMBIA	114.3	114.1	0.2	112.2	1.9	112.6	113.2	-0.5	113.5	-0.8
<u>EASTERN PROVINCES</u>										
ONTARIO	114.9	114.4	0.4	111.8	2.8	111.9	113.2	-1.1	108.8	2.8
QUEBEC	111.4	111.0	0.4	108.7	2.5	112.6	113.3	-0.6	109.5	2.8
<u>MARITIME PROVINCES</u>										
NEW BRUNSWICK	113.7	113.3	0.4	110.5	2.9	111.8	112.9	-1.0	109.6	2.0
NOVA SCOTIA	115.0	114.0	0.9	111.6	3.0	113.2	114.5	-1.1	110.9	2.1
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	112.9	112.5	0.4	108.2	4.3	111.0	111.2	-0.2	108.0	2.8
NEWFOUNDLAND	114.0	113.8	0.2	110.8	2.9	111.4	113.0	-1.4	110.6	0.7
* MANITOBA RANK			7		2			6		10

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TABLE 3: PERCE IT CHANGE COMPARISONS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

(AS OF SEPTEMBER 2000)

MAIN COMPONENTS	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR		(2) CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE		(3) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE	
	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA
ALL ITEMS	2.4	2.7	4.1	2.5	2.4	2.5
FOOD	3.3	2.2	1.7	-2.5	2.1	1.0
SHELTER	3.7	3.8	7.3	5.7	2.3	2.8
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	0.6	0.9	3.3	2.2	0.9	1.0
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	-0.3	0.2	9.7	11.1	1.3	0.3
TRANSPORTATION	2.4	3.9	3.1	0.3	3.8	5.5
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	3.9	1.5	7.5	1.4	3.3	1.6
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	1.4	2.0	1.0	3.3	2.5	2.6
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	1.6	4.0	0.8	2.1	1.7	2.9
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:						
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	2.2	2.8	4.5	3.2	2.4	2.9
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	1.2	1.3	2.1	2.2	1.7	1.5
ENERGY	10.6	15.1	26.3	14.4	8.5	15.5
GOODS	2.5	3.1	4.9	1.8	2.2	2.9
SERVICES	2.2	2.2	3.0	3.1	2.5	2.1

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- (3) COMPARES THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING THIS MONTH WITH THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING ONE YEAR EARLIER.

TABLE 4: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR SEPTEMBER 2000: ALL ITEMS

(1992 = 100)

	SEP 00	AUG 00	PERCENT CHANGE	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR	(2) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE
WINNIPEG	119.1	118.7	0.3	2.4	2.3
<u>WESTERN CITIES</u>					
REGINA	118.5	118.3	0.2	2.7	2.2
SASKATOON	117.1	116.9	0.2	2.7	2.3
CALGARY	120.4	119.4	0.8	4.1	3.6
EDMONTON	117.4	116.8	0.5	3.2	3.1
VANCOUVER	115.1	114.9	0.2	2.4	1.9
VICTORIA	113.9	113.6	0.3	1.7	1.5
<u>EASTERN CITIES</u>					
THUNDER BAY	114.9	114.4	0.4	2.5	2.5
TORONTO	115.2	114.7	0.4	2.8	2.8
OTTAWA	116.4	115.9	0.4	3.0	2.8
MONTREAL	111.5	111.1	0.4	2.4	2.3
QUEBEC	112.0	111.7	0.3	2.2	2.2
<u>MARITIME CITIES</u>					
SAINT JOHN, N.B.	113.4	112.9	0.4	2.9	3.2
HALIFAX	114.0	113.2	0.7	2.7	3.1
CHARLOTTETOWN	112.5	112.0	0.4	3.9	3.4
ST. JOHN'S, NFLD	114.0	113.9	0.1	2.8	2.7
* WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 16 CITIES)			7	5	7

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PERCENT CHANGE - ALL ITEMS INDEX

OCT 00/OCT 99

OCT 00/SEP 00

MANITOBA	2.2	-0.2
CANADA	2.8	0.2

The Manitoba all items index rose 2.2% in October 2000 compared with October 1999, down from an annual rate of 2.4% in September. Canada's annual rate of price increase in October was 2.8%, up from 2.7% the previous month.

Chart 1 presents a summary of price changes for Manitoba and Canada over the last two years. The method of calculation shown in Chart 1 is the most widely used, and is often referred to by the media as the "inflation rate". It is based on the percent change between the current month and the same month the previous year.

Manitoba's annual inflation rate of 2.2% in October was the lowest among the provinces, while the highest annual rate last month was in Prince Edward Island at 4.5%. Winnipeg's annual rate of inflation in October matched the provincial rate of 2.2%, and was down from 2.4% in September.

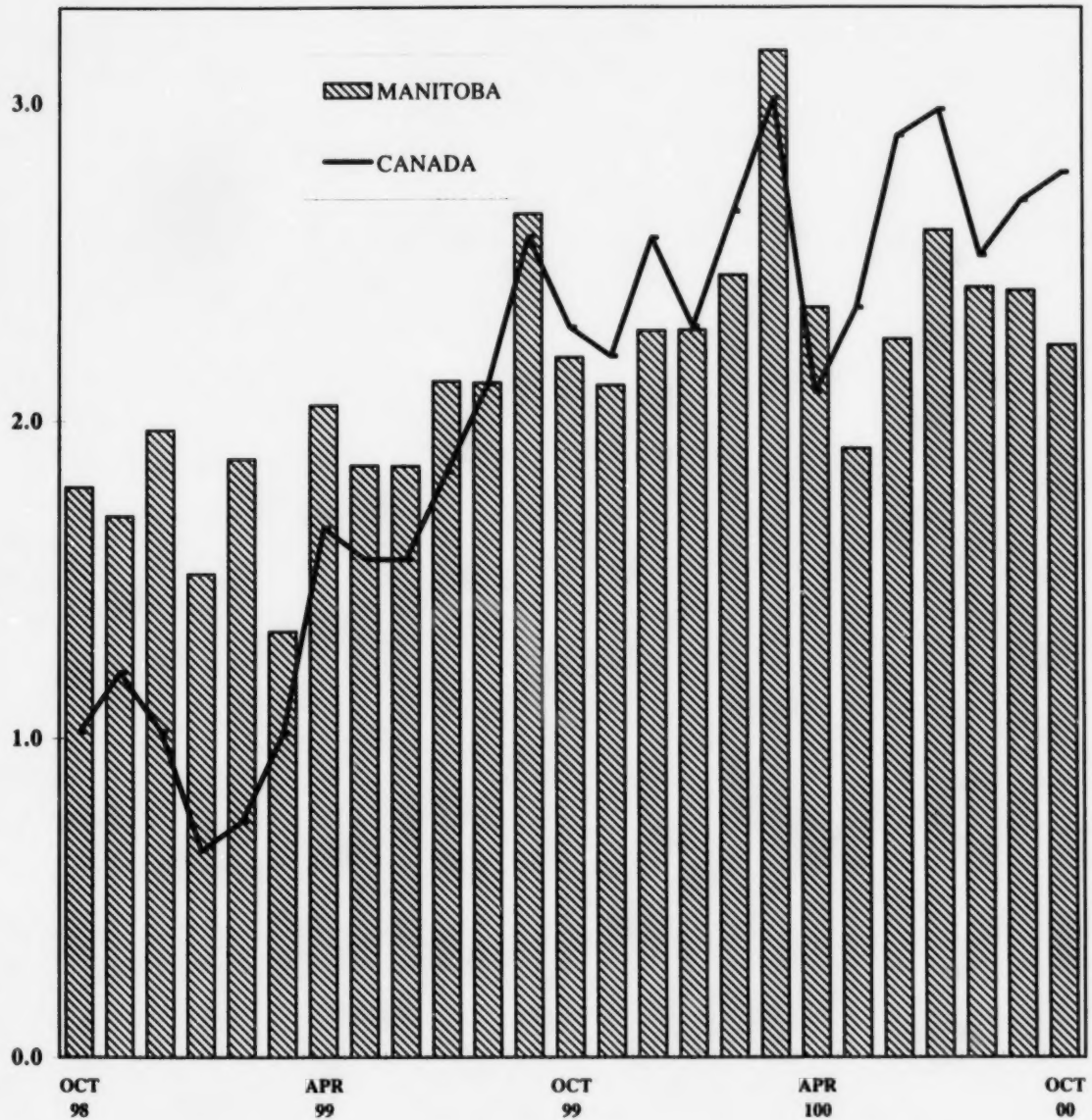
On a month-to-month basis, the Manitoba all-items index fell 0.2% in October after a 0.4% rise the previous month. Charges were higher last month for telephone services, home maintenance and repair and food purchased from restaurants. Increases were also noted for women's clothing, natural gas and non-alcoholic beverages. Lower prices for gasoline, travel services, inter-city transportation and fresh vegetables helped moderate the total monthly rise in the index. Overall prices at the national level were 0.2% higher last month, following a 0.4% rise in September.

CHART 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

MONTHLY INFLATION RATE

MANITOBA AND CANADA

PERCENT CHANGE



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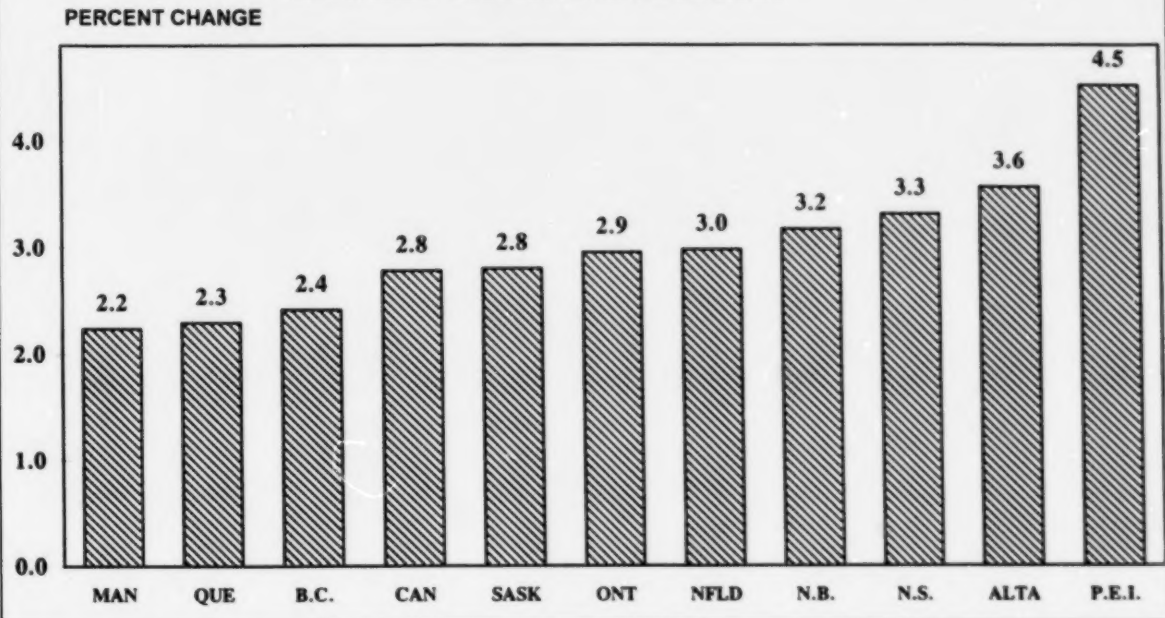
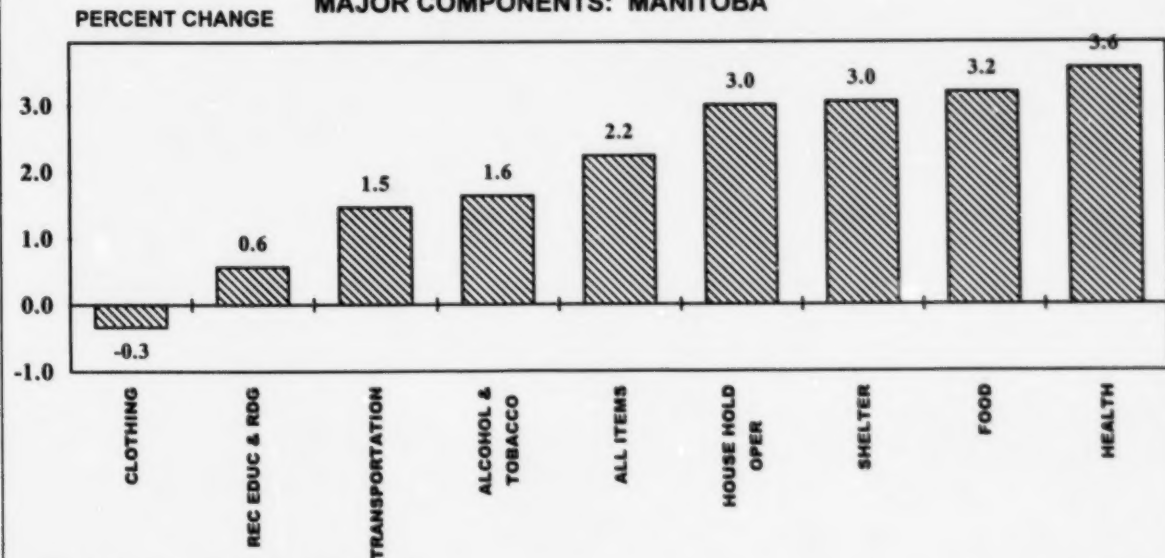


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MAJOR COMPONENTS: MANITOBA



DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA
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TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR OCTOBER 2000

(1992 = 100)

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	OCT 00	SEP 00	PERCENT CHANGE	OCT 99	PERCENT CHANGE	OCT 00	SEP 00	PERCENT CHANGE	OCT 99	PERCENT CHANGE
<u>MAIN COMPONENTS:</u>										
ALL ITEMS	118.8	119.0	-0.2	116.2	2.2	114.6	114.4	0.2	111.5	2.8
FOOD	116.5	116.9	-0.3	112.9	3.2	112.0	112.2	-0.2	109.9	1.9
SHELTER	115.0	115.1	-0.1	111.6	3.0	110.6	109.6	0.9	105.8	4.5
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	113.4	111.4	1.8	110.1	3.0	110.7	110.5	0.2	109.6	1.0
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	118.8	118.2	0.5	119.2	-0.3	107.5	107.4	0.1	107.3	0.2
TRANSPORTATION	131.9	133.2	-1.0	130.0	1.5	131.5	131.9	-0.3	127.1	3.5
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	116.5	116.7	-0.2	112.5	3.6	112.8	112.3	0.4	110.6	2.0
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	123.7	125.2	-1.2	123.0	0.6	121.4	124.9	-2.8	122.0	-0.5
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	105.8	105.8	0.0	104.1	1.6	98.1	98.4	-0.3	94.6	3.7
<u>SPECIAL AGGREGATES:</u>										
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	119.3	119.5	-0.2	117.0	2.0	115.2	114.9	0.3	111.9	2.9
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	117.7	117.8	-0.1	116.5	1.0	112.9	112.8	0.1	111.2	1.5
ENERGY	132.8	134.2	-1.0	121.3	9.5	134.6	132.8	1.4	116.8	15.2
GOODS	116.3	116.9	-0.5	113.9	2.1	112.1	111.8	0.3	108.8	3.0
SERVICES	121.5	121.3	0.2	118.7	2.4	117.5	117.4	0.1	114.7	2.4

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TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR OCTOBER 2000

(1992 = 100)

	ALL ITEMS					FOOD				
	OCT 00	SEP 00	PERCENT CHANGE	OCT 99	PERCENT CHANGE	OCT 00	SEP 00	PERCENT CHANGE	OCT 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MANITOBA	118.8	119.0	-0.2	116.2	2.2	116.5	116.9	-0.3	112.9	3.2
<u>WESTERN PROVINCES</u>										
SASKATCHEWAN	117.5	117.5	0.0	114.3	2.8	111.7	112.5	-0.7	109.6	1.9
ALBERTA	119.2	119.1	0.1	115.1	3.6	111.5	112.2	-0.6	109.0	2.3
BRITISH COLUMBIA	114.5	114.3	0.2	111.8	2.4	112.5	112.6	-0.1	113.2	-0.6
<u>EASTERN PROVINCES</u>										
ONTARIO	115.2	114.9	0.3	111.9	2.9	111.8	111.9	-0.1	109.7	1.9
QUEBEC	111.5	111.4	0.1	109.0	2.3	112.4	112.6	-0.2	109.3	2.8
<u>MARITIME PROVINCES</u>										
NEW BRUNSWICK	113.9	113.7	0.2	110.4	3.2	111.0	111.8	-0.7	109.2	1.6
NOVA SCOTIA	115.4	115.0	0.3	111.7	3.3	113.2	113.2	0.0	110.8	2.2
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	113.3	112.9	0.4	108.4	4.5	110.4	111.0	-0.5	108.6	1.7
NEWFOUNDLAND	114.2	114.0	0.2	110.9	3.0	111.1	111.4	-0.3	110.1	0.9
* MANITOBA RANK				1	1				5	10

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TABLE 3: PERCENT CHANGE COMPARISONS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

(AS OF OCTOBER 2000)

MAIN COMPONENTS	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR		(2) CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE		(3) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE	
	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA
ALL ITEMS	2.2	2.8	1.4	1.8	2.4	2.6
FOOD	3.2	1.9	-3.7	-4.8	2.3	1.1
SHELTER	3.0	4.5	5.0	7.2	2.4	3.0
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	3.0	1.0	9.7	0.7	1.0	0.9
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	-0.3	0.2	5.6	11.1	1.1	0.2
TRANSPORTATION	1.5	3.5	1.2	0.9	3.5	5.3
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	3.6	2.0	2.8	2.9	3.4	1.6
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	0.6	-0.5	-5.9	-10.7	2.4	2.4
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	1.6	3.7	-0.8	0.4	1.7	3.1
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:						
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	2.0	2.9	2.7	3.2	2.4	2.9
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	1.0	1.5	0.3	1.8	1.6	1.5
ENERGY	9.5	15.2	20.7	16.7	8.8	15.8
GOODS	2.1	3.0	1.7	2.5	2.2	2.9
SERVICES	2.4	2.4	1.3	1.0	2.5	2.2

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TABLE 4: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR OCTOBER 2000: ALL ITEMS

(1992 = 100)

	OCT 00	SEP 00	PERCENT CHANGE	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR	(2) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE
WINNIPEG	118.9	119.1	-0.2	2.2	2.3
<u>WESTERN CITIES</u>					
REGINA	118.5	118.5	0.0	2.9	2.3
SASKATOON	117.2	117.1	0.1	2.8	2.4
CALGARY	120.1	120.4	-0.2	3.4	3.6
EDMONTON	117.8	117.4	0.3	3.6	3.1
VANCOUVER	115.1	115.1	0.0	2.9	2.0
VICTORIA	114.0	113.9	0.1	2.1	1.5
<u>EASTERN CITIES</u>					
THUNDER BAY	115.2	114.9	0.3	2.7	2.6
TORONTO	115.5	115.2	0.3	2.9	2.9
OTTAWA	116.7	116.4	0.3	3.0	2.8
MONTREAL	111.6	111.5	0.1	2.3	2.2
QUEBEC	112.1	112.0	0.1	2.0	2.1
<u>MARITIME CITIES</u>					
SAINT JOHN, N.B.	113.5	113.4	0.1	2.9	3.2
HALIFAX	114.4	114.0	0.4	3.0	3.1
CHARLOTTETOWN	112.9	112.5	0.4	4.1	3.6
ST. JOHN'S, NFLD	114.1	114.0	0.1	2.7	2.8
* WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 16 CITIES)			2	3	6

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - NOVEMBER 2000

PERCENT CHANGE - ALL ITEMS INDEX

	<u>NOV 00/NOV 99</u>	<u>NOV 00/OCT 00</u>
MANITOBA	2.7	0.3
CANADA	3.2	0.3

The Manitoba all items index rose 2.7% in November 2000 compared with November 1999, up from an annual rate of 2.2% in October. Canada's annual rate of price increase in November was 3.2%, up from 2.8% the previous month.

Chart 1 presents a summary of price changes for Manitoba and Canada over the last two years. The method of calculation shown in Chart 1 is the most widely used, and is often referred to by the media as the "inflation rate". It is based on the percent change between the current month and the same month the previous year.

Manitoba's annual inflation rate of 2.7% in November was tied with British Columbia and Quebec for the lowest among the provinces, while the highest annual rate last month was in Alberta at 4.4%. Winnipeg's annual rate of inflation in November matched the provincial rate of 2.7%, and was up from 2.2% in October.

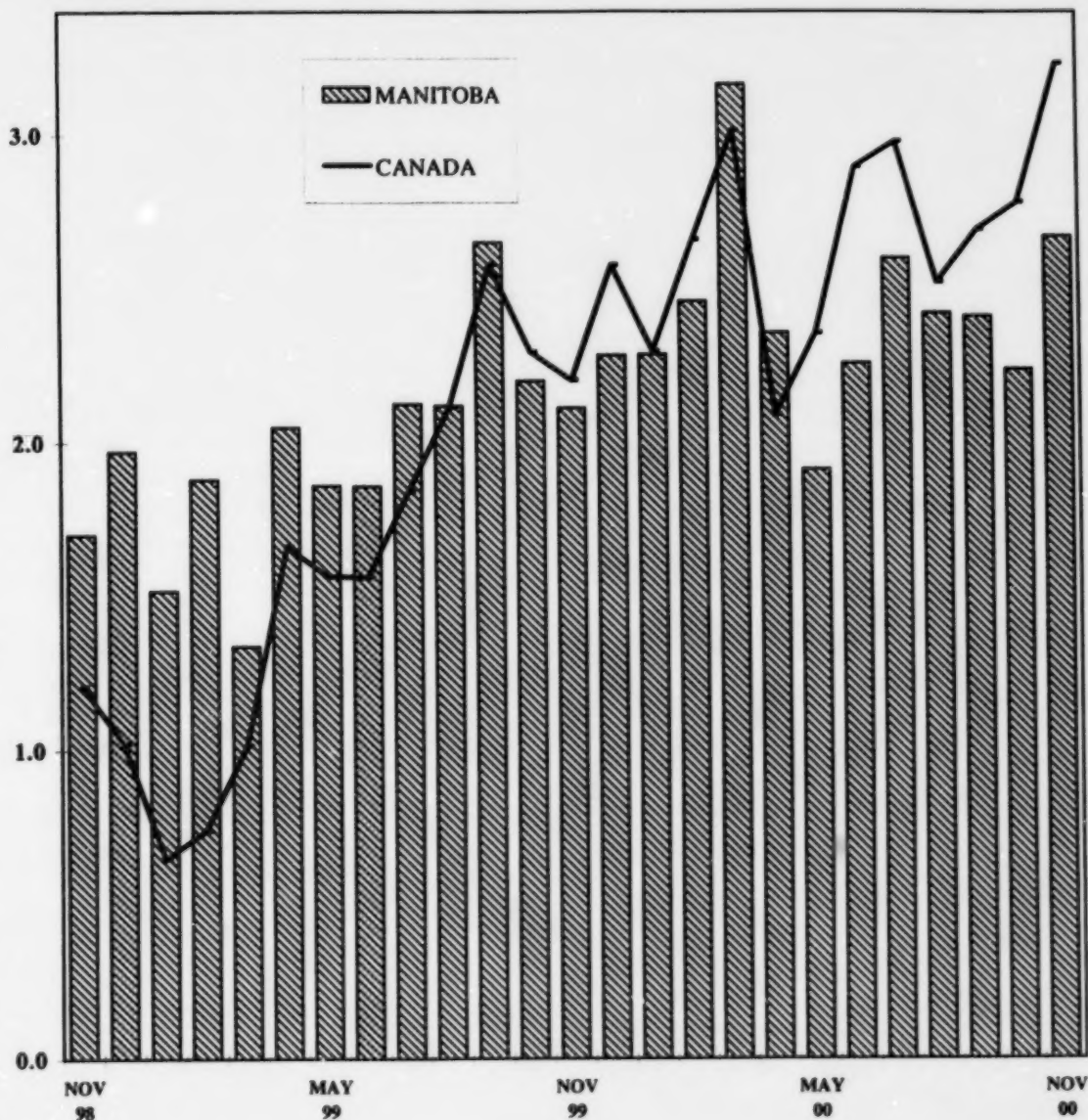
On a month-to-month basis, the Manitoba all-items index rose 0.3% in November after declining 0.2% the previous month. New vehicle prices were higher last month, as were prices for natural gas, gasoline and fresh fruit and vegetables. These increases were partly offset by lower prices for clothing, travel services, non-alcoholic beverages and cereal products. Overall prices at the national level were 0.3% higher last month, following a 0.2% rise in October.

CHART 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

MONTHLY INFLATION RATE

MANITOBA AND CANADA

PERCENT CHANGE



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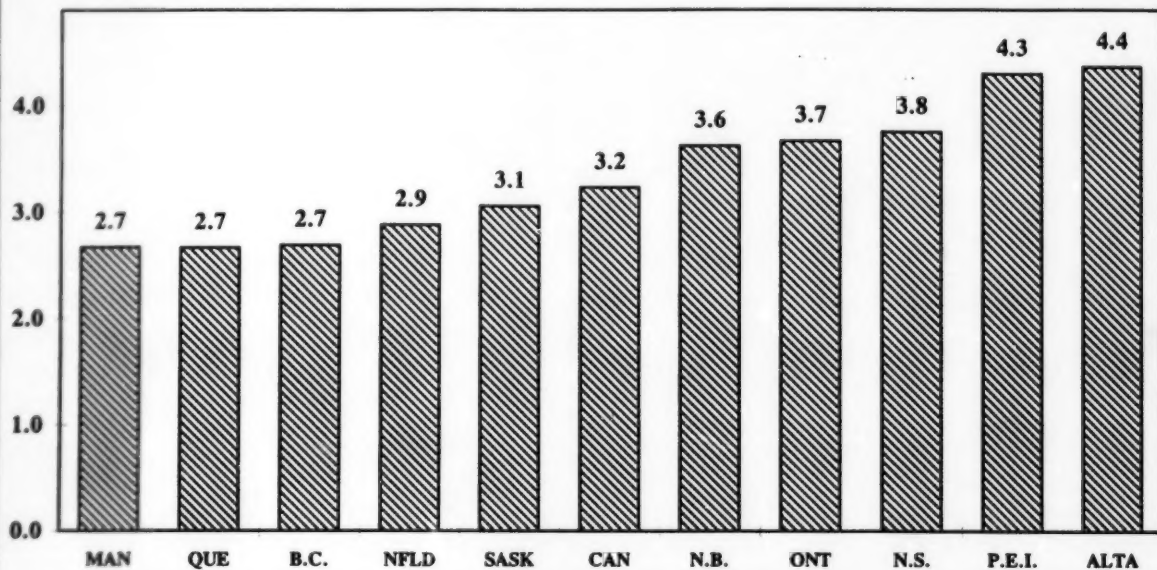
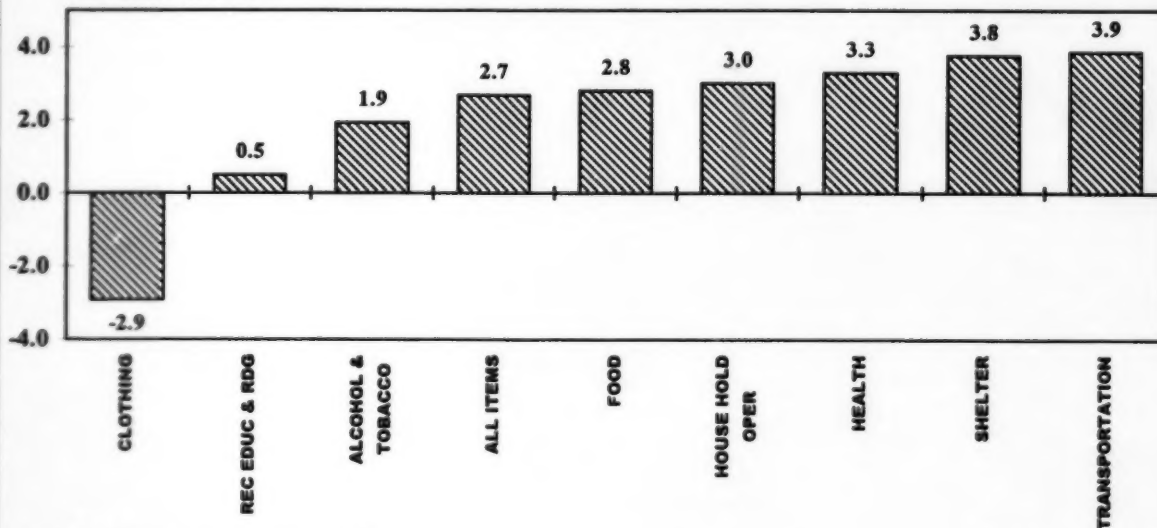


CHART 3. CONSUMER PRICE INDICES
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MAJOR COMPONENTS: MANITOBA

PERCENT CHANGE



DATA SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA
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TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR NOVEMBER 2000

(1992 = 100)

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	NOV 00	OCT 00	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 99	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 00	OCT 00	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MAIN COMPONENTS:										
ALL ITEMS	119.2	118.8	0.3	116.1	2.7	115.0	114.6	0.3	111.4	3.2
FOOD	117.6	116.5	0.9	114.4	2.8	112.9	112.0	0.8	110.6	2.1
SHELTER	115.9	115.0	0.8	111.7	3.8	111.2	110.6	0.5	105.9	5.0
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	113.4	113.4	0.0	110.1	3.0	110.7	110.7	0.0	109.5	1.1
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	113.3	118.8	-4.6	116.7	-2.9	105.4	107.5	-2.0	105.4	0.0
TRANSPORTATION	134.5	131.9	2.0	129.5	3.9	134.0	131.5	1.9	127.3	5.3
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	116.5	116.5	0.0	112.8	3.3	112.9	112.8	0.1	110.5	2.2
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	122.3	123.7	-1.1	121.7	0.5	122.4	124.4	-1.6	120.3	1.7
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	105.9	105.8	0.1	103.9	1.9	98.6	98.1	0.5	95.1	3.7
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:										
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	119.5	119.3	0.2	116.5	2.6	115.5	115.2	0.3	111.6	3.5
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	117.6	117.7	-0.1	116.2	1.2	113.0	112.9	0.1	111.0	1.8
ENERGY	136.1	132.8	2.5	119.6	13.8	136.6	134.6	1.5	115.8	18.0
GOODS	117.1	116.3	0.7	114.0	2.7	113.1	112.1	0.9	108.7	4.0
SERVICES	121.4	121.5	-0.1	118.5	2.4	117.3	117.5	-0.2	114.5	2.4

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TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR NOVEMBER 2000

(1992 = 100)

	ALL ITEMS					FOOD				
	NOV 00	OCT 00	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 99	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 00	OCT 00	PERCENT CHANGE	NOV 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MANITOBA	119.2	118.8	0.3	116.1	2.7	117.6	116.5	0.9	114.4	2.8
<u>WESTERN PROVINCES</u>										
SASKATCHEWAN	118.0	117.5	0.4	114.5	3.1	113.1	111.7	1.3	111.5	1.4
ALBERTA	119.6	119.2	0.3	114.6	4.4	112.7	111.5	1.1	109.8	2.6
BRITISH COLUMBIA	114.5	114.5	0.0	111.5	2.7	113.8	112.5	1.2	113.1	0.6
<u>EASTERN PROVINCES</u>										
ONTARIO	115.9	115.2	0.6	111.8	3.7	112.6	111.8	0.7	110.5	1.9
QUEBEC	111.7	111.5	0.2	108.8	2.7	113.4	112.4	0.9	109.9	3.2
<u>MARITIME PROVINCES</u>										
NEW BRUNSWICK	114.4	113.9	0.4	110.4	3.6	112.2	111.0	1.1	110.7	1.4
NOVA SCOTIA	116.2	115.4	0.7	112.0	3.8	113.8	113.2	0.5	111.9	1.7
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	114.1	113.3	0.7	109.4	4.3	110.9	110.4	0.5	108.5	2.2
NEWFOUNDLAND	114.3	114.2	0.1	111.1	2.9	110.1	111.1	-0.9	110.7	-0.5
* MANITOBA RANK			5		2			6		9

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TABLE 3: PERCENT CHANGE COMPARISONS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

(AS OF NOVEMBER 2000)

MAIN COMPONENTS	⁽¹⁾ CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR		⁽²⁾ CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE		⁽³⁾ 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE	
	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA
ALL ITEMS	2.7	3.2	2.4	3.9	2.4	2.7
FOOD	2.8	2.1	-0.7	-0.7	2.3	1.2
SHELTER	3.8	5.0	3.2	8.3	2.6	3.3
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	3.0	1.1	9.7	0.7	1.0	0.9
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	-2.9	0.0	-17.0	0.0	0.6	0.1
TRANSPORTATION	3.9	5.3	15.6	12.9	3.5	5.3
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	3.3	2.2	0.3	1.8	3.5	1.7
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	0.5	1.7	-9.8	-7.5	2.2	2.5
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	1.9	3.7	0.4	2.5	1.7	3.3
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:						
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	2.6	3.5	2.7	4.6	2.4	3.0
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	1.2	1.8	-0.7	1.4	1.6	1.5
ENERGY	13.8	18.0	34.8	32.6	9.5	16.4
GOODS	2.7	4.0	4.2	7.8	2.3	3.1
SERVICES	2.4	2.4	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.2

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WINNIPEG	119.3	118.9	0.3	2.7	2.4
<u>WESTERN CITIES</u>					
REGINA	118.9	118.5	0.3	3.0	2.4
SASKATOON	117.6	117.2	0.3	3.0	2.5
CALGARY	120.7	120.1	0.5	4.5	3.6
EDMONTON	118.0	117.8	0.2	4.1	3.2
VANCOUVER	115.2	115.1	0.1	3.1	2.1
VICTORIA	114.1	114.0	0.1	2.4	1.6
<u>EASTERN CITIES</u>					
THUNDER BAY	115.7	115.2	0.4	3.2	2.6
TORONTO	116.2	115.5	0.6	3.6	3.0
OTTAWA	117.4	116.7	0.6	3.7	2.9
MONTREAL	111.8	111.6	0.2	2.7	2.3
QUEBEC	112.3	112.1	0.2	2.4	2.2
<u>MARITIME CITIES</u>					
SAINT JOHN, N.B.	114.0	113.5	0.4	3.4	3.3
HALIFAX	115.1	114.4	0.6	3.3	3.1
CHARLOTTETOWN	113.6	112.9	0.6	3.8	3.7
ST. JOHN'S, NFLD	114.3	114.1	0.2	2.7	2.8
* WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 16 CITIES)			7	4	5

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PERCENT CHANGE - ALL ITEMS INDEX

DEC 00/DEC 99

DEC 00/NOV 00

MANITOBA	2.9	0.6
CANADA	3.2	0.1

The Manitoba all items index rose 2.9% in December 2000 compared with December 1999, up from an annual rate of 2.7% the previous month. Canada's annual rate of price increase in December was 3.2%, which was unchanged from November.

Chart 1 presents a summary of price changes for Manitoba and Canada over the last two years. The method of calculation shown in Chart 1 is the most widely used, and is often referred to by the media as the "inflation rate". It is based on the percent change between the current month and the same month the previous year.

Manitoba's annual inflation rate of 2.9% in December was tied with Quebec and ranked fifth among the provinces. Saskatchewan observed the highest annual rate last month at 4.0%. Winnipeg's annual rate of inflation in December was 3.0%, up from 2.7% in November.

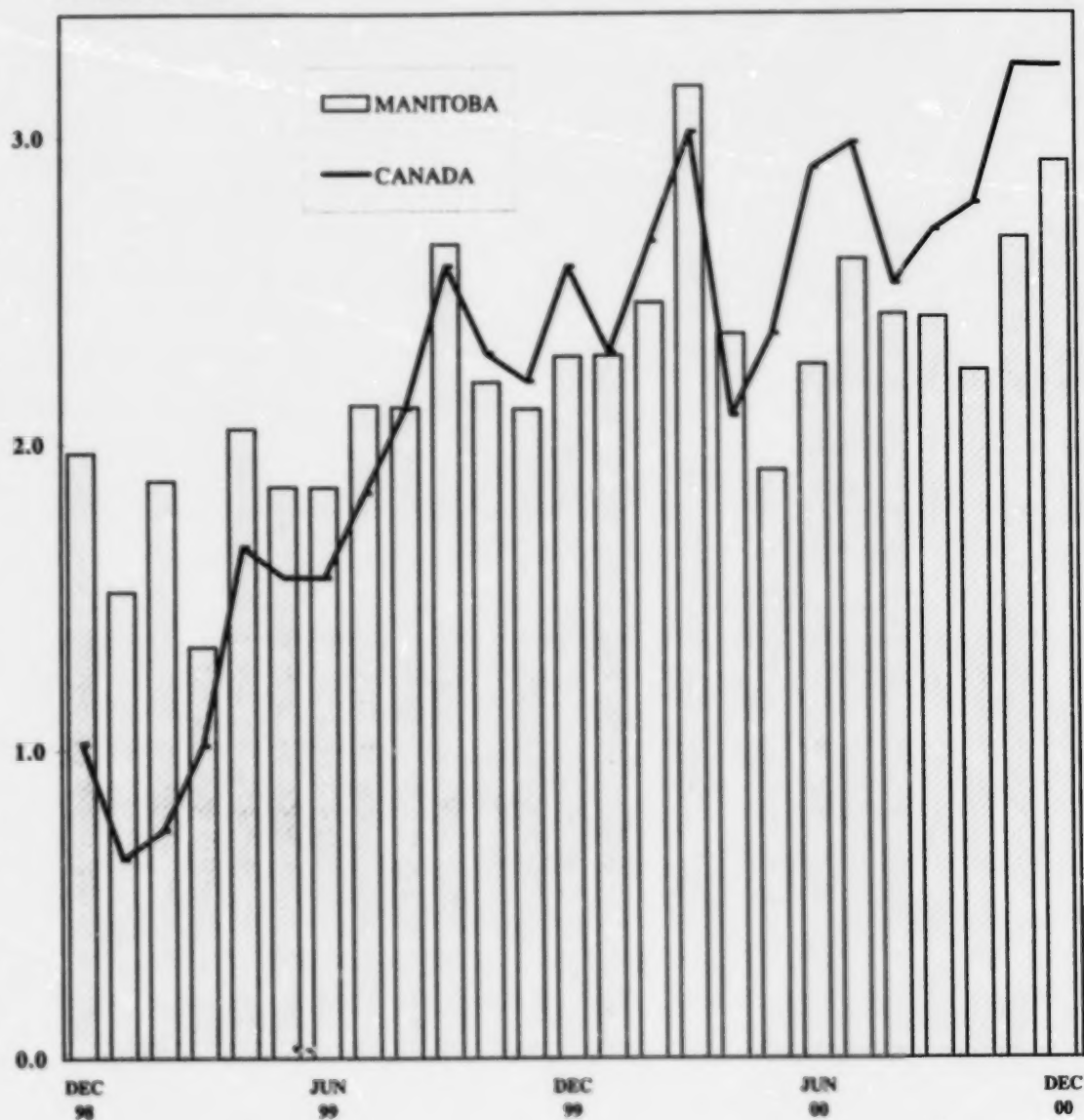
On a month-to-month basis, the Manitoba all-items index rose 0.6% in December after increasing 0.3% in November. Prices for fresh fruit and vegetables were higher last month, as well as for bakery products and other cereal grains and products. These increases were partly offset by lower prices for non-alcoholic beverages, footwear, gasoline and insurance premiums for automotive vehicles. Overall prices at the national level were 0.1% higher last month, following a 0.3% rise in November.

CHART 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

MONTHLY INFLATION RATE

MANITOBA AND CANADA

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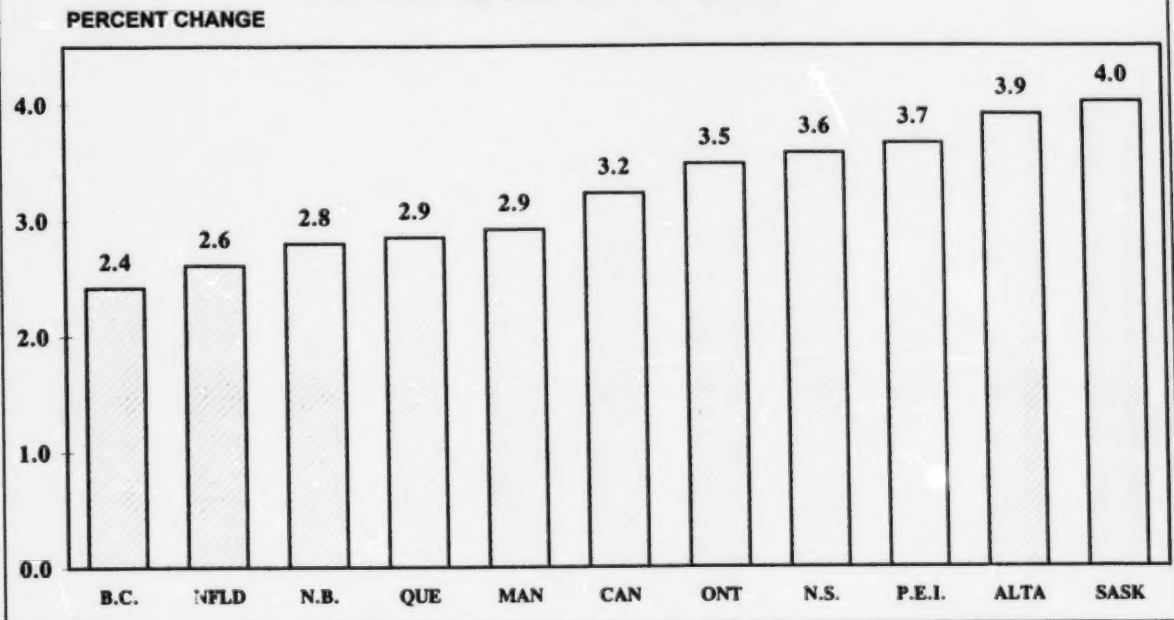
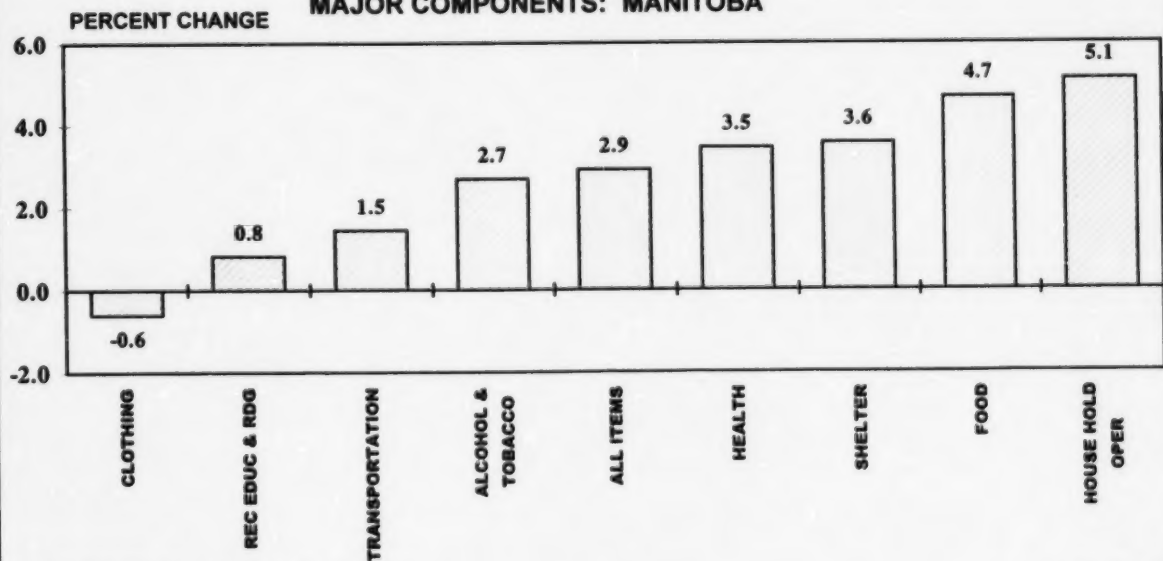


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MAJOR COMPONENTS: MANITOBA



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TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR DECEMBER 2000

(1992 = 100)

	MANITOBA					CANADA				
	DEC 00	NOV 00	PERCENT CHANGE	DEC 99	PERCENT CHANGE	DEC 00	NOV 00	PERCENT CHANGE	DEC 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MAIN COMPONENTS:										
ALL ITEMS	119.9	119.2	0.6	116.5	2.9	115.1	115.0	0.1	111.5	3.2
FOOD	120.9	117.6	2.8	115.5	4.7	114.5	112.9	1.4	110.9	3.2
SHELTER	116.1	115.9	0.2	112.1	3.6	111.7	111.2	0.4	106.4	5.0
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	115.2	113.4	1.6	109.6	5.1	110.5	110.7	-0.2	109.2	1.2
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	115.2	113.3	1.7	115.9	-0.6	105.2	105.4	-0.2	103.4	1.7
TRANSPORTATION	132.6	134.5	-1.4	130.7	1.5	132.4	134.0	-1.2	128.3	3.2
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	116.9	116.5	0.3	113.0	3.5	112.8	112.9	-0.1	110.8	1.8
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	122.0	122.3	-0.2	121.0	0.8	122.0	122.4	-0.3	119.4	2.2
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	106.7	105.9	0.8	103.9	2.7	99.0	98.6	0.4	95.9	3.2
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:										
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	119.6	119.5	0.1	116.7	2.5	115.3	115.5	-0.2	111.7	3.2
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	117.9	117.6	0.3	116.1	1.6	113.0	113.0	0.0	110.9	1.9
ENERGY	134.0	136.1	-1.5	122.1	9.7	134.5	136.6	-1.5	118.4	13.6
GOODS	118.6	117.1	1.3	114.5	3.6	113.2	113.1	0.1	109.0	3.9
SERVICES	121.2	121.4	-0.2	118.6	2.2	117.4	117.3	0.1	114.5	2.5

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TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR DECEMBER 2000

(1992 = 100)

	ALL ITEMS					FOOD				
	DEC 00	NOV 00	PERCENT CHANGE	DEC 99	PERCENT CHANGE	DEC 00	NOV 00	PERCENT CHANGE	DEC 99	PERCENT CHANGE
MANITOBA	119.9	119.2	0.6	116.5	2.9	120.9	117.6	2.8	115.5	4.7
<u>WESTERN PROVINCES</u>										
SASKATCHEWAN	119.1	118.0	0.9	114.5	4.0	116.0	113.1	2.6	111.7	3.8
ALBERTA	119.6	119.6	0.0	115.1	3.9	114.5	112.7	1.6	110.6	3.5
BRITISH COLUMBIA	114.3	114.5	-0.2	111.6	2.4	115.9	113.8	1.8	114.3	1.4
<u>EASTERN PROVINCES</u>										
ONTARIO	116.0	115.9	0.1	112.1	3.5	114.0	112.6	1.2	110.6	3.1
QUEBEC	111.8	111.7	0.1	108.7	2.9	114.8	113.4	1.2	110.0	4.4
<u>MARITIME PROVINCES</u>										
NEW BRUNSWICK	113.8	114.4	-0.5	110.7	2.8	111.5	112.2	-0.6	110.1	1.3
NOVA SCOTIA	116.0	116.2	-0.2	112.0	3.6	113.7	113.8	-0.1	111.8	1.7
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	113.4	114.1	-0.6	109.4	3.7	110.9	110.9	0.0	109.1	1.6
NEWFOUNDLAND	114.0	114.3	-0.3	111.1	2.6	109.6	110.1	-0.5	109.2	0.4
* MANITOBA RANK			9		5			10		10

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TABLE 3: PERCENT CHANGE COMPARISONS, MANITOBA AND CANADA

(AS OF DECEMBER 2000)

MAIN COMPONENTS	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR		(2) CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF CHANGE		(3) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE	
	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA	MANITOBA	CANADA
ALL ITEMS	2.9	3.2	3.1	2.5	2.5	2.7
FOOD	4.7	3.2	14.4	8.5	2.6	1.4
SHELTER	3.6	5.0	3.5	7.9	2.8	3.5
HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND FURNISHINGS	5.1	1.2	14.4	0.0	1.4	0.9
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	-0.6	1.7	-9.8	-7.9	0.4	0.2
TRANSPORTATION	1.5	3.2	-1.8	1.5	3.2	5.0
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	3.5	1.8	0.7	1.8	3.6	1.7
RECREATION, EDUCATION AND READING	0.8	2.2	-9.8	-9.0	2.1	2.5
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	2.7	3.2	3.4	2.5	1.7	3.3
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:						
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD	2.5	3.2	0.3	1.4	2.4	3.0
ALL ITEMS EXCL. FOOD AND ENERGY	1.6	1.9	0.3	0.7	1.6	1.5
ENERGY	9.7	13.6	-0.6	5.2	9.7	16.2
GOODS	3.6	3.9	5.9	5.1	2.5	3.1
SERVICES	2.2	2.5	-0.3	0.0	2.5	2.3

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NOTE: THERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS TO MEASURE THE ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE INFLATION RATE. THE ABOVE TABLE PRESENTS THREE DIFFERENT METHODS:

- (1) THE MOST COMMONLY USED METHOD OF REPORTING THE INFLATION RATE, BASED ON PERCENT CHANGE FROM THE SAME MONTH ONE YEAR AGO.
- (2) PROVIDES A MEASURE OF THE CURRENT ANNUAL RATE OF INFLATION. THE GROWTH RATE OVER THE PRECEDING THREE MONTHS IS CALCULATED AND THEN COMPOUNDED AT AN ANNUAL RATE. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THESE CALCULATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN SEASONALLY-ADJUSTED.
- (3) COMPARES THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING THIS MONTH WITH THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING ONE YEAR EARLIER.

TABLE 4: CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR DECEMBER 2000: ALL ITEMS

(1992 = 100)

	DEC 00	NOV 00	PERCENT CHANGE	(1) CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH LAST YEAR	(2) 12 - MONTH ANNUAL RATE
WINNIPEG	120.0	119.3	0.6	3.0	2.5
<u>WESTERN CITIES</u>					
REGINA	119.9	118.9	0.8	3.9	2.6
SASKATOON	118.5	117.6	0.8	3.8	2.6
CALGARY	120.8	120.7	0.1	4.1	3.7
EDMONTON	118.0	118.0	0.0	3.7	3.3
VANCOUVER	115.0	115.2	-0.2	2.9	2.2
VICTORIA	113.9	114.1	-0.2	2.2	1.7
<u>EASTERN CITIES</u>					
THUNDER BAY	115.8	115.7	0.1	2.9	2.6
TORONTO	116.2	116.2	0.0	3.3	3.0
OTTAWA	117.6	117.4	0.2	3.6	3.0
MONTREAL	111.9	111.8	0.1	2.8	2.4
QUEBEC	112.3	112.3	0.0	2.6	2.2
<u>MARITIME CITIES</u>					
SAINT JOHN, N.B.	113.5	114.0	-0.4	2.6	3.2
HALIFAX	114.8	115.1	-0.3	3.2	3.1
CHARLOTTETOWN	112.9	113.6	-0.6	3.3	3.7
ST. JOHN'S, NFLD	113.9	114.3	-0.3	2.4	2.8
* WINNIPEG RANK (OUT OF 16 CITIES)			14	8	5

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* Ranking is done in ascending order from the lowest to the highest

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NOTE: THERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS TO MEASURE THE ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE INFLATION RATE. THE ABOVE TABLE PRESENTS TWO DIFFERENT METHODS:

- (1) THE MOST COMMONLY USED METHOD OF REPORTING THE INFLATION RATE, BASED ON PERCENT CHANGE FROM THE SAME MONTH ONE YEAR AGO.
- (2) COMPARES THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING THIS MONTH WITH THE AVERAGE OF THE 12 MONTHS ENDING ONE YEAR EARLIER.